

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

January 24, 2001

In re Application of: Blissard et al  
Serial No. 09/518,763  
Filed: March 3, 2000  
For: STABLE CELL RESISTANT TO APOPTOSIS AND NUTRIENT  
STRESS AND METHODS OF MAKING SAME  
Examiner: Guzo, D.  
Art Unit: 1636  
Attorney Docket No.: BTI-44

## REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

HONORABLE COMMISSIONER OF  
PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 8, 18, 20-25 and 35.

Please amend claims 1, 7, 10, 19, 26, 33 and 36, as follows:

1. (Amended) An insect cell line comprising:

- a) a recipient cell wherein said recipient cell is an insect cell that has been stably transfected with a first recombinant DNA expression vector comprising a recombinant DNA that encodes a suppressor of apoptosis such that said

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